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SUBJECT: SEIZURE OF RCA PROPERTY AT TANGIER

REFERENCE: RABAT 4297

1. DURING TALK WITH ECON COUNS LATE LAST WEEK, JOHN TERRY, RCA STATION MANAGER IN TANGIER SAID THAT, IN HIS PERSONAL OPINION, RCA HEADQUARTERS MAY NOT WANT TO PRESS GOM TOO HARD ON PROPERTY SEIZURE ISSUE BECAUSE: (A) RCA CURRENTLY HANDLES 80-90 PERCENT OF MOROCCO'S COMMUNICATIONS TO U.S. VIA SATELLITE. (B) THIS IS CONTINUING BUSINESS WHICH COULD EASILY BE GIVEN TO OTHER COMPANIES. (C) IN LONG RUN, IT IS MORE IMPORTANT TO RCA THAN SETTLEMENT OF TANGIER PROPERTY PROBLEM.

2. ABOVE CONSIDERATIONS SHOULD BE KEPT IN MIND DURING ANY DISCUSSIONS DEPARTMENT'S MAY HAVE WITH AMBASSADOR SENOUSI. DEPARTMENT MAY ALSO WISH GET READING FROM RCA NEW YORK REGARDING WAY SATELLITE BUSINESS WILL AFFECT RCA DEALINGS ON PROPERTY SEIZURE WITH GOM AND WEIGHT IT SHOULD BE GIVEN IN DECIDING TONE AND CONTENT USG APPROACHES ON ISSUE. IN DOING SO, HOWEVER, CONVERSATION WITH TERRY SHOULD NOT
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